

Remarks

The helpful discussions with the Examiner concerning issues in the prosecution of this application are gratefully acknowledged.

Independent claim 67 has been amended as proposed by the Examiner. The phrase "in proximity to" with respect to the hydrogen consuming application has been replaced with the phrase, "in fluid communication with."

Discussions were also directed to the application of the Machin et al reference in rejection of the claims remaining in this application. The Examiner suggested that he was favorably considering removing the Machin publication as a reference.

It is understood that the Examiner is considering the allowance of remaining claims 1, 3-5, 7, 8, 10-12, 14, 15, 19-21, 26-29, 48, 49, 54, 55, 57, 61, and 63-70.

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